

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2874**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Daniele FACCIO et al.

Application No.: 10/541,071

Filed: April 5, 2006

For: INTEGRATED OPTICAL
ADD/DROP DEVICE HAVING
SWITCHING FUNCTION

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REPLY AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants submit this Reply in response to the final Office Action mailed August 23, 2007. Applicants respectfully traverse the pending rejections for at least the reasons set forth in this paper.

A List of Pending Claims is included in this paper.

Remarks follow the listing of claims in this paper.